known only after the logs are sold. Further, whether *kudivila* is really payable or not can be determined only on production of taluk certificates by parties and, so long as most of the owners of private lands, from which royalties were worked down, have shown indifference in this matter, it is not possible even to make a rough approximation of the amount. As for the claims for which records were produced, a sum of about S. Rs. 10,000 is due to be paid, which will be done, as far as possible, during the current year.

(*b*) The amount of *kudivila* paid for the past 10 years would amount to about S. Rs. 1,08,000 for the Pattanamtitta taluk alone.

(*c*) In the past, claims to *kudivila* on royal trees removed from private lands were seldom preferred and pressed by the claimants and arrears accumulated partly on this account and partly due to the tedious process of investigation and settlement involved, which, in the course of years, came to be too heavy to be cleared by the normal staff of the Divisional Forest Offices. Since the staff has now been strengthened and the work of settlement simplified with the introduction of a new system, prescribing a better process with special and detailed registers, speedy clearance of the arrear claims, along with the fresh claims as they arise, is expected to be possible within a few years to come.

Constables recruited in 1106 and 1107.

69. **MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR** (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of Police Constables recruited in 1106 and in the first three quarters of 1107;

(*b*) how many of them are:

(i) Vadris;
(ii) members of the Krishnamvakai community;
(iii) Cheramars;
(iv) Sambavars;
(v) Fishermen;
(vi) Vellalas;
(vii) Chetties;
(viii) Oil-mongers;
(ix) Ezhavas;
(x) Mahomedans;
(xi) London Mission Christians;
(xii) Syrian Catholics;
(xiii) Hindu Nadars;
(xiv) Brahmins;
(xv) Saliyas;
(xvi) Kammalas;
(xvii) Tandans;
(xviii) Kuravas; and
(xix) members of the Yogisvara community; and

(*c*) the number of Nayars?

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MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) 191 in 1106, and 88 in the first three quarters of 1107.

(*b*) and (*c*) A statement* containing the information required is laid on the table.

Details of Forest revenue during 1100 – 1106.

70. **MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR** (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the source of the major portion of the revenue of the Forest Department for the last five years;

(*b*) the percentage of the revenue realised from the sale of timber and firewood;

(*c*) the percentage of the revenue derived from the sale royalties on registered lands and the percentage from Government lands;

(*d*) the amount derived from the sale of firewood;

(*e*) the percentage of revenue derived from the sale of fuel coupes outside the reserves; and

(*f*) whether the vacated fuel coupes outside the reserves are made available for registry or whether they continue to be Government lands?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) A statement† giving the information is laid on the table.

(*b*)

Year.	*Timber.*	*Firewood.*
1102	86·3	2·8
1103	87·5	1·7
1104	88·8	1·9
1105	91·2	0·7
1106	91·9	0·5

(*c*) No separate accounts of the revenue of the royalties extracted from registered lands and Government lands are maintained. Hence the information is not available.

(*d*)

Year.	*Amount.* Rs.
1102	45,994
1103	27,769
1104	33,297
1105	12,138
1106	7,566

(*e*) The revenue derived from the sale of fuel coupes outside the reserve is not separately shown in the departmental accounts apart from the sale of fuel coupes within the reserves. Hence the information is not available.

(*f*) Yes; they are handed over to the Revenue Department for registry after the tree-growth is removed.

Raising the pay of the Pakuthi peons.

71. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the question of raising the pay of peons in the Pakuthi Cutcherries from Rs. 8 per mensem to Rs. 9-1/6-11 per mensem

* *Vide* Appendix III—page vi. † *Vide* Appendix IV—page vii.

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